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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

The following three documents were cited in the International Search Report recently issued by the Japanese Patent Office in connection with a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed.

International Publication No. WO 95/03509.

Japanese Patent Publication No. 9-108361. An English-language abstract of this document is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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